COMMISSION DIRECTIVE							
ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS		DATE	May 23, 2006				
MOTOR CARRIER MATTERS		DOCKET NO.	97-239-C				

Agenda Item 6

SUBJECT:

DOCKET NO. 97-239-C: <u>Universal Service Fund</u> - Petition for an Order Clarifying USF Guidelines and Request for Expedited Relief – Discuss this matter with the Commission.

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COMMISSION ACTION:

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First, I move that we grant the Motion for Expedited Review, and that we proceed to rule on the ORS Petition. I further move that we grant the ORS Petition, and adopt the ORS positions on all five questions presented. Specifically, I move that we hold that revenues from international calls should be excluded from the Fund assessment. Further, I move that we hold that revenues from broadband and wireless services should also be excluded from the Fund assessment, based on current Commission directives. Next, I move that we hold that Fund assessments should exclude revenues from directory listings, but that they should include revenues from Federal Universal Service Fund surcharges collected and special access sales to retail end users in South Carolina. Further, I move that we hold that the USF surcharge should be collected on services provided to a Lifeline customer that exceeds the lifeline credit. I also move that we declare that ORS has the necessary authority to remove bad debts from accounts receivables connected with the Universal Service Fund. Lastly, Mr. Chairman, I move that we hold the Petition of the South Carolina Cable Television Association in abeyance at this time, and consider it separately at a later date, since it raises additional issues that are not presented in the ORS Petition.

PRESIDING <u>Mitchell</u>		Session: Regular			
	MOTION	YES	NO	OTHER	Time of Session 2:30 p.m.
CLYBURN FLEMING HAMILTON HOWARD MITCHELL MOSELEY WRIGHT				Absent	APPROVED